# **SOMB Meeting Minutes**

The regular meeting of the Sex Offender Management Board was called to order on August 21, 2009, at the Illinois Attorney General's Office, Chicago, Illinois with a phone-in option. Chairperson Cara Smith called the meeting to order.

Present: Cara Smith, Tracie Newton, Alyssa Schafer, Jessica O'Leary, Amy Campanelli,

Verlin Meinz, Jack Cutrone, Dick Winkler, Jerry Isikoff, Harry Reed and Alesia

Crockett

Absent: Excused: Mickie Owens, Sheryl Essenberg, Carol Corgan

Unexcused: Shauna Boliker, Catherine Haberkorn, Mike Scholz, Rena Van Tine,

Pat Delphino, Jeff Brown

#### A. Welcome/Roll Call

### B. Adam Walsh Act (AWA) Discussion

Cara Smith provided an update on the series of trainings regarding AWA held the Illinois Attorney General's Office throughout the State of Illinois. The attendees included law enforcement and treatment providers. At the majority of the training the topic for discussion was AWA's impact on juvenile registration and retroactivity.

Tracie Newton added that 35 juvenile sex offenders have submitted requests for termination of their registration requirement to the Illinois State Police. She also shared the name of several agencies that are assisting with these petitions:

- Legal Assistance Foundation of Metropolitan Chicago, Christopher Wilmes, 312-341-1070, ext. 8371
- Northwestern Bloom Legal Clinic, Julie Biehl, 312-503-2386. The school received a grant to assist with this project.

#### C. End Demand Illinois

Carol Corgan was unable to attend the meeting. She will discuss "End Demand Illinois" at the next meeting.

#### D. JCAR

There was discussion among the Board regarding child pornography and aggravated child pornography being added as a part of SVP cases effective January 1, 2010.

One concern was regarding diagnosis since there is "no real contact and no hands on with the victim". The guidelines may need to adjust in terms of evaluation and treatment needs.

## E. Meeting Schedule

The Board discussed the possibility of meeting quarterly. No final decision was made as to how often the Board should meet.

Verlin Meinz inquired about the current Board vacancies. Alesia Crockett responded by stating two for law enforcement, two judges and one from probation. She is currently working with the Governor's Office to fill those vacancies. The Attorney General's office needs to appoint a State's Attorney.

Jerry Isikoff requested to add Cheri Miller, Illinois ATSA President, email address to the Board meeting notification.

#### F. New Business

Jerry Isikoff discussed ATSA's annual conference being held in September 30-October 3, 2009 in Dallas, Texas.

G. Next Meeting: September 17, 2009

## H. Adjournment